



The Paleis-Raadhuis (Palace-Town Hall) in Tilburg, Brabant was built by King Willem II from 1847 to 1849. However, he never occupied it as he passed away just before completion. In 1936 it was renovated and became a Town Hall. Mainly used these days for weddings and official functions. More on Tilburg on pages 16-17.

Important: The entries below are an indication only of what events are planned during the coming months and the information given may not always be accurate and could be subject to change.
For up-to-date accurate information, **always** refer to the larger function advertisements inside this paper or the posters displayed in the clubhouse.

Upcoming Functions in Neerlandia and other Venues as shown:

Sunday 11 April	<u>"Sunday Brunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: \$12.00	
	See additional details on page 9	
Thursday 15 April	<u>"DJVV Club"</u>	<i>Shop open</i>
Thursday 29 April	<u>"DJVV Club"</u>	<i>Shop open</i>
Friday 30 April	<u>"Koninginne Dag Celebrations"</u> & <u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	3.00 - 7.00 pm
	Free entry.	
	See additional details on page 10	
Sunday 2 May	<u>"Sunday Card Drive"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: \$6.00	
Saturday 8 May	<u>"Remembrance Day Get-together"</u>	11.00am
	Free Entry	
	Additional details on page 5	
Sunday 9 May	<u>"Mothers Day Brunch"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: Adults \$14.00	
	Children \$7.00	
	See additional details on page 12	
Thursday 13 May	<u>"DJVV Club"</u>	<i>Shop open</i>
Sunday 16 May	<u>"DACWA Craft & Flea Market"</u>	11.00 am
	Cost: \$2.00 donation	
	Entertainment: Dutch Community Radio	
Friday 28 May	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.00—7.00 pm
	Free entry	
Sunday 6 June	<u>"Sunday Card Drive"</u>	10.00 am
	Cost: \$6.00	
Friday 25 June	<u>"End of Month Drinks"</u>	5.00—7.00 pm
	Free entry	
Sunday 27 June	<u>"Dutch Singers Concert"</u>	
	Details to be announced	

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Private Members Parties:

For bookings of Private Members Parties or information that is not in this magazine, please phone:
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Costs for using the Clubhouse facilities are:

Use of Hall only	\$275.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Lounge only	\$100.00 (Incl. GST)
Use of Kitchen	\$100.00 (Incl. GST)

Dear Members,

Everyone has a run of bad luck whereby three or more things seem to break down within a period of time. Well, we at Neerlandia experienced something similar.

It all happened soon after we decided to spend some money on the upgrading of our lounge.

First our commercial Coffee Percolator broke down and had to be replaced.

Next we were notified by the security monitoring office that our alarm system was not working properly and that the control centre was unable to communicate with the alarm panel. Solution, call a technician and the end result was the replacement of the main panel at a substantial cost.

About the same time we were notified that our large 6-burner gas stove in the kitchen had developed a serious problem with one of the burners. We managed to isolate the burner and make it safe for the time being, but of course it means that we will have to replace this ancient bit of equipment rather sooner than later, of course at another substantial cost.

Then, one of our air conditioners in the main hall developed some kind of problem, which resulted in water damage to the ceiling and a large puddle of water on the floor. We still do not know what the reason was for the malfunction as we are unable to make it do a repeat performance, but we do need to repair the damaged ceiling.

Luckily we had not replaced our dishwasher as originally intended but repaired it instead.

The finances saved by doing that came in very handy to pay for some of the extra expenses incurred.

WANTED—Neerlandia Treasurer:

We did manage to find a suitable candidate for this important position, but it fell through at the last minute. This was mainly due to some unexpected and unforeseen personal circumstances.

So once again we appeal to our members to get in touch with us if they know of someone, *who has the skills and time available* to take on this very important position of



looking after the club's finances with the assistance of our assistant Treasurer, Henry Koldenhoven.

For the time being Ray Schaafsma is holding the fort and doing an excellent job, but he will soon be going away on a well-deserved holiday until the beginning of July. On agreeing to look after the accounts, Ray expressed to me that this would have to be on a temporary basis only. The sooner we find a suitable replacement the happier he will be. Should we not be successful in finding someone, we may have to resort to look outside the club at a considerable cost.

End of the Month Drinks: (5.00-7.00 pm)

These cosy get-togethers held in our Clubhouse Lounge on the last Friday of each month are going from strength to strength thanks to the excellent promotional work done by our secretary Lianna Parker. Some of the earlier teething problems have now been overcome and the upgrading of the lounge is almost complete. (For a report on the last held "End of the Month Drinks" see page 7)

The great thing is that each month we see new faces and we have signed up some new members as well.

Anyone is welcome to pop in, have a drink and don't forget the kitchen is open for those delicious Dutch Snacks such as "Bitterballen", "Broodje Kroket", "Broodje Rookworst" or a platter of "Cheese and Rookworst".

Orange Day - "Koninginne Dag" Friday 30 April:

This year we will celebrate Koninginne Dag on the same day that it is celebrated in the Netherlands, namely on Friday the 30th of April.

We will open the doors at 3.00 pm and show a DVD on the Royal Family on the large screen in the Main Hall.

This will be followed up with some entertainment.

Meanwhile the kitchen and bar will be open as usual. At 5.00 pm we will also open the lounge bar for the "End of the Month Drinks" and at 7.00 pm we will close up for the day.

The storm and the Neerlandia Clubhouse:

The run of bad luck is continuing. The entire clubhouse was without power for 2 full days. Giants hailstones smashed skylight covers in the Hall and caused some water damage. Water also found its way into the clubhouse through the air conditioners and under the door of the DACWA Office and Library soaking part of the carpets.

Dutch Lessons at Neerlandia:

Presently we are negotiating with the "Nederlandse School" in Perth for the use of a small area of our clubhouse for a few hours per week for their very young students. More details on this issue next month.

Pieter Leeftang, your President.

Congratulations!!!!
The following
new members
joined the Dutch
Society Neerlandia

**Gerrit Steketee
Hendrika Gradisen
Thea Lipman
Theresa Verdonk
Jacob Vermeulen
Sara Vermeulen**

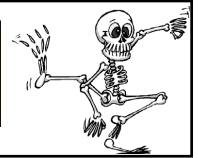


GET WELL SOON:

To those members who are not feeling too well, who are ill, injured or who are battling a severe illness, the Neerlandia Committee wish you all the very best and above all, a full and speedy recovery.



What a crazy world



KIDS AND RELIGION.....

3-year-old Reese: "Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen."

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car.

His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied: "That preacher said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home and I wanted to stay with you guys."

One particular four-year-old prayed: "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

A Sunday-school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to church service: "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

One bright little girl replied: "Because people are sleeping."

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons Kevin 5 and Ryan 3.

The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake.

Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson.

If Jesus were sitting here, He would say: "Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait."

Kevin turned to his younger brother and said: "Ryan, you be Jesus!"

A father was at the beach with his children when the four-year-old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand.

"Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked.

"He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied.

The boy thought a moment and then said: "Did God throw him back down?"

A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said: "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the woman answered.

The daughter bowed her head and said: "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

The economy is so bad in the USA that ...

I got a pre-declined credit card in the mail.

I ordered a burger at McDonald's and the kid behind the counter asked, "Can you afford fries with that?"

All the CEO's are now playing miniature golf.

If the bank returns your check marked "*Insufficient Funds*," you call them and ask if they meant you or them.

Hot Wheels and Matchbox stocks are trading higher than General Motors.

McDonald's is selling the 1/4 ounce.

Parents in Beverly Hills are firing their nannies and are learning their children's names.

A truckload of Americans was caught trying to sneak illegally into Mexico looking for work.

The Casinos in Las Vegas won't leave the light on anymore.

The Mafia is laying off judges.

And, finally...

I was so depressed last night thinking about the economy, wars in the east, jobs, my savings, Social Security, retirement funds, global warming etc., I called the Suicide Lifeline.

The lines must have been crossed because I got a Call Centre somewhere in Pakistan and when I told them I was suicidal, **they got all excited and asked if I could drive a truck.**

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Rose Buds:

A teenage granddaughter comes downstairs for her date with a very sheer blouse on and no bra. Her grandmother has a fit, telling her not to dare go out like that!

The teenager tells her: "Loosen up Grams. These are modern times. You got to let your rose buds show!" and out she goes.

The next day the teenager comes downstairs, and the grandmother is sitting there with no top on.

The teenager wants to die.

She explains to her grandmother that she has friends coming over and that it is just not appropriate.....

The grandmother says: "Loosen up, Sweetie. If **you** can show off your rosebuds, then **I** can display my hanging baskets."

Sunday Klaverjas Drives

***Er is geen Sunday Drive in April.
De eerstvolgende Sunday
Klaverjas Drive word gehouden op
Zondag 2 Mei***

**Kosten: Maar \$6.00
per persoon.**

Kom gezellig
Klaverjassen voor
Winkelbonnen in
het Neerlandia Clubhuis.
Lunch & Koffie zijn
bij de toegangsprijs
inbegrepen.
Aanvang 11.00 uur
precies.



DUTCH IMPORTED LIQUOR

INMAAK BRANDEWIJN	\$49.00	PER LITER
OUDE JENEVER	\$49.00	PER LITER
JONGE JENEVER	\$49.00	PER LITER
CITROEN JENEVER	\$49.00	PER LITER
BEERENBURG	\$49.00	PER LITER
BESSEN JENEVER	\$39.00	PER LITER
CITROEN BRANDEWIJN	\$39.00	PER LITER
KERSEN BRANDEWIJN	\$39.00	PER LITER
DIKKE ADVOCAT	\$29.00	per 700ml

AVAILABLE WHEN THE BAR IS OPEN:

DJVV 2nd Thursdays: 10.00 am—2.00 pm
Thursdays Evenings: 7.00 pm—10.30 pm
Organised Functions: See page 2

PRE-ORDERED BOTTLES CAN ALSO BE COLLECTED WHEN THE SHOP IS OPEN

Every 2nd Tuesday from 10.00 am—12 noon
Every Wednesday from 11.00 am—1.00 pm



BOTTLES ALSO AVAILABLE EVERY FRIDAY from 10.00 am—1.00 pm

On Fridays please phone on
9381 3738 before coming out.



THE ASSOCIATED NETHERLANDS SOCIETIES OF WA (ANWSA) and THE DUTCH SOCIETY NEERLANDIA



will commemorate the Anniversary of
the Dutch National Liberation Day with a Remembrance Service
to be held on Saturday the **8th of MAY 2010,**
(9.00 am for a 9.30 am start)

AT THE DUTCH ANNEX, PERTH WAR CEMETERY,
Smyth Road, Nedlands.

All Members of the Dutch Community are invited to attend the Service.

After the Service, at about 11.15 am, you are also invited to come along
to a friendly get-together for Lunch at the Clubhouse of the
Dutch Society Neerlandia,

230 Cambridge St., Wembley.

Snacks can be obtained from the Kitchen and
the bar will be open for your convenience. Admission is Free.

For more information. Please contact:

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Lachen is gezond



Goed middel tegen snurken

Een handelsvertegenwoordiger, doodmoe, komt aan in een kleine gemeente waar er maar één hotelletje is.

Tot overmaat van ramp zijn alle kamers bezet.

Hij smeekt de baas: "Leg me te slapen, geeft niet waar, maar ik moet absoluut kunnen uitrusten".

"Wel", zegt de hotelier, "ik heb een tweepersoonskamer waar er maar één bed beslapen is. Als je met die man op een akkoord komt om de kamer en de prijs ervan te delen is dat voor mij goed. Maar, ik verwittig je, hij snurkt geweldig. Het is zelfs zo erg dat alle gasten 's morgens hun beklag erover maken".

"Maakt niks uit", antwoordt de vertegenwoordiger. "Ik ben veel te moe".

De twee mannen komen tot een accoord en nemen het avondmaal aan dezelfde tafel.

's Morgens komt de handelsvertegenwoordiger als eerste de trap af om naar het ontbijtzaaltje te gaan. Vrolijk fluitend en welgemutst de hotelbaas groetend.

Zegt deze: "Zo welgezind? Heb je goed geslapen? Heeft hij niet gesnurkt?"

"Bijlange niet", zegt de vertegenwoordiger. "Geen enkel moment".

"Hoe is dat in Godsnaam mogelijk," zegt de hotelbaas.

"Heel eenvoudig", zegt de vertegenwoordiger.

"Ik kwam een beetje later dan hij de kamer binnen. Hij lag al op zijn bed.

Ik heb hem een kus gegeven op zijn achterwerk en gezegd: "Goedenacht, schoonheid".

En die kerel heeft de hele nacht recht opgezeten in zijn bed om me in de gaten te houden.

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Op een mooie zomeravond:

Een man heeft een nieuwe Mercedes gekocht en gaat op een mooie zomer avond even lekker een stuk rijden...

Het dak eraf, de wind glijdt door zijn haar en hij besluit eens te kijken hoe hard zijn wagen nou eigenlijk kan.

Net als de kilometerteller een respectabele 180 km/u aangeeft, ziet hij in zijn spiegel 2 blauwe zwaailichten... "Met geen mogelijkheid dat ze een Mercedes kunnen bijhouden, denkt hij nog en trapt de bolide nog harder op zijn staart.

Pijlsnel vliegt hij over de weg: 190, 200, 230 zelfs, maar.. de politie zit nog steeds vlak achter hem.

"Waar ben ik godsnaam mee bezig?" denkt hij en hij gaat

naar de kant van de weg.

De agent loopt naar hem toe, pakt zijn rijbewijs zonder ook maar iets te zeggen, bekijkt zijn rijbewijs en auto aandachtig.

Ineens zegt hij: "Ik heb een lange zware dag achter de rug en jij bent echt de laatste die ik aan de kant zet vandaag. Ik heb geen zin in nog méér papierwerk dus als je me een zéééér goed (!!!) excuus kan geven, ééntje die ik ook nog nooit eerder heb gehoord waarom je zo scheurde over de weg, dan laat ik je gaan!"

"Afgelopen week is mijn vrouw ervandoor gegaan met een politie agent," zegt de man, "en ik was bang dat je haar terug wilde geven!"

Waarop de agent zegt: "Een prettige avond nog..."

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Oma is 100 jaar geworden:

Voor die gelegenheid komt de burgemeester op bezoek.

"U leeft nu honderd jaar," zegt de burgemeester,

"Wat is in al die honderd jaar nu de grootste verandering in uw leven geweest?"

Zonder een seconde na to denken zegt oma: "De dokter!"

"De dokter?" vraagt de burgemeester verbaasd.

"Ja", zegt oma, "toen ik 20 jaar was, zei de dokter helemaal uitkleden en ga maar liggen.

Toen ik 40 jaar was, zei de dokter bloesje uit en ga maar zitten.

En toen ik 80 jaar was, zei de dokter steek je tong maar uit en blijf maar staan!"

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Op een dag vraagt een meisje aan haar mama: "Mama, vanwaar komen de allereerste ouders?"

"Wel," antwoordt haar mama, "God heeft de eerste mensen, Adam en Eva, op de wereld gezet. Adam en Eva hebben dan kinderen gekregen die op hun beurt ouders geworden zijn enzovoort, enzovoort. Het is zo dat de humane familie is ontstaan."

Twee dagen later stelt het meisje dezelfde vraag aan haar vader.

Deze antwoordt: "Kijk, miljoenen jaren geleden evolueerden de apen langzaam tot wat de mensen vandaag zijn."

Het meisje staat perplex en loopt snel naar haar mama: "Mama, waarom zeg jij me dat de eerste mensen door God op de wereld werden gezet, terwijl papa zegt dat mensen eigenlijk van de apen afstammen?"

Haar moeder antwoordt met een glimlach: "Dat is heel simpel liefje. Ik heb je verteld over mijn familie en papa over de zijne!"

End of the month drinks in February

End of the Month Drinks:

On Friday the 26 of February Neerlandia hosted the second "End of Month/Friends of DACWA Drinks" in 2010.

We had a turnout of about 40 people, which was a bigger number than we anticipated considering that Friday was the start of a long weekend.



Staff & Friends of DACWA: from left to right: Joyce, Annegrit, Margarite, Regine and Joyce

As opposed to last month, every one gathered in the newly decorated lounge and with the small bar open, an intimate cafe atmosphere was created. It was touching and encouraging to see how older children taught the younger ones the old fashioned card game "pesten"; it was also good to see how new friends caught up where they left off last month.

New barman Barrie Parker proved to be a talent behind the bar and the overall consensus was that



Richard Wurster and Gerard Mars enjoying a drink at the bar

These Friday nights are a beautiful mingling of older members, new members and people that have not yet become members. The common



Wilna Cornelisse, from the Dutch Language School, with one of her students.

factor is that we all enjoy catching up once a month to celebrate our Dutch heritage. Why not drop in next month and bring your (grand) children to enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of this monthly get together.

The next "borrel" will be on Friday 26 March from 5-7 pm, a time conveniently chosen so that it does not interfere with your plans for the Friday evening!

And for those that are a little peckish at that time of the day, the kitchen will be open for those traditional Dutch Snacks.

See you soon??

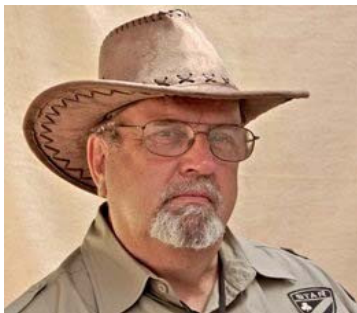
Lianna Parker,
Secretary,
Dutch Society "Neerlandia".



Barry Parker, learner barman receiving some useful tips from Ray Schaafsma

next month he will not need his "L"-plate any longer!

Who Discovered Australia



There seems to be a state of denial with anything that involves the Dutch in the Australian history. From the moment the English "annexed" New Holland, while Holland was fighting Napoleon over Belgium, any

Dutch connection was set aside.

There is no doubt that Hollanders were here long before James Cook was conceived in faraway Yorkshire, in fact some 190+ years.

Most people know about the Duyfken that in 1606 "visited" Cape York Peninsula, 164 years before James Cook "visited" the East Coast.

1616 Dirck Hartogh makes landing at Shark Bay, leaving evidence of his "visit" in the shape of an inscribed pewter plate. This visit could well be



construed as a claim and taking possession.

1629 Two mutineers were set ashore on the west coast by Cmdr. Pelsaert. Apart from being the first Europeans they were also the first convicts - and boat people.

1696 Willem de Vlamingh "visited" our west coast and did an extensive exploration of the Swan River and the surrounding area. He named the river after the black swans.

How much more "visits" are needed to discover something?

Imagine, if the ships had been from the English East India Company instead of the VOC ships, would Australia have been discovered in 1606. What do you think?

Furthermore, Columbus made a relatively short journey, in a westerly direction, in a bid to find the

Spice Islands by a shorter route, as the Indies were then called. He landed somewhere in the Caribbean and the locals became Indians overnight as a result. Columbus did not have to give a repeat performance of his discovery and to this very day he is still hailed as the Discoverer of America!

Is this as a result of Anglo Saxon Dreamtime?

Tom Vanderveldt,
President VOCHS.

(In the proposed new National Education Curriculum it is proposed that all children will be taught about the early explorers that discovered and mapped the Australian coast. Editor)

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Sunday Klaverjas Drive:

This event was held on Sunday the 7th of March.

The Clubhouse lounge was used once again as on the previous evening the Carnival Ball was held in the main Hall and the cleaner had not caught up as yet with his chores.

We had 32 players, which means 8 tables and although the lounge was full, it was still nice and cosy in there.

Sharp at 11.00 o'clock the competition got underway. After 2 games Lunch and Coffee was served and then it was on for young and old again for another 2 games.

When all the players had completed their games, the score cards were checked and the winners were announced. The prize winners were:

Klaverjassen:

1st Prize:	Nola Vermeer	7035 points
2nd Prize:	An Verhoogd	6886 points
3rd Prize:	Henk Arts	6590 points

There was no Jokeren Prize as there were no Jokeren Players present.

There will not be a Klaverjas Drive in April as the first Sunday of April is Easter Sunday. This usually means that too many people will be away for the weekend or will have family commitments and they would be unable to attend.

However, to make up for that, an additional Klaverjas Drive was held on Sunday the 28th of March, but the results were in too late to be included in this issue.

Louis Marcus.

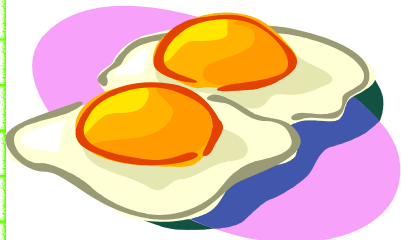
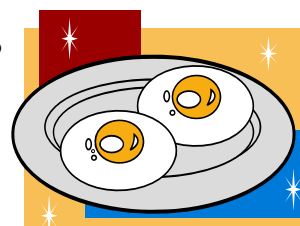
**OUR NEXT BRUNCH WILL BE HELD ON
SUNDAY THE 11TH OF APRIL AT 10.00 AM**



Brunch

Sunday 11 April

Come and Join us at Neerlandia for this hearty “Brunch”. Enjoy an “Uitsmijter” and all sorts of other Dutch Goodies. Unlimited Coffee, Tea and Orange Juice.



**Celebrate a Birthday with your family.
Invite your friends or ask your Social Club
to attend the Sunday Brunch.**

**Our Brunch is good value!
Adults: \$12.00
Children: \$6.00**

**For catering purposes, pre-payment is necessary
when you make your booking.**

Contacts: Ans van Alphen on 9342 6525 (9 am – 9 pm)

The pre-payment options are:

- *Send your Cheque or Money Order by mail to Neerlandia, PO Box 200, WEMBLEY WA 6913*
- *Pass on your credit or debit card details over the phone.*
- *Come to the Clubhouse on any Friday between 10.00 am and 1.00 pm and pay by credit card or cash.*

End of Month Drinks celebrates "Koninginne Dag"

The Clubhouse will be open from: 3.00 pm — 7.00 pm

Neerlandia will celebrate "Koninginne Dag" on Friday the 30th of April

The Dutch Singers will be there!

The Kitchen will be open for: Coffee & Dutch Appeltaart!

**Broodje Haring! Broodje Croquette! Broodje Rookworst! Bitterballen!
Rookworst & Cheese Platters!**

The Bar and Shop will be open

Dress up with something Orange to make the place look more festive. Come along for a short or long visit, meet up with old friends, listen to some entertainment, enjoy a meal, a snack or a drink from the bar or just a cup of coffee!

Free Entry—Free Entry—Free Entry



DE NEERLANDIA WINKEL

Levensmiddelen en allerlei lekkernijen uit Nederland



- Bitterballen, Krokette & Rookworst van Kasteel & van Wees
- Vleeswaren van Elmar
- Leidse & Goudse Kaas
- Zoute haring & Gerookte Makreel (**AVAILABLE SOMETIME IN APRIL**)
- Ontbijtkoek, Gember Koek en Candij Koek
- Groenten in glas en in blik
- Zoute Drop, Stroopwafels, Gesorteerde Koekjes & Beschuit
- Gestampte Muisjes, Hagelslag, Fruithagel & Chocolade Vlokken
- Amandel Koeken, Kano's, Amsterdammers & Speculaas

De Neerlandia Winkel is open op de volgende dagen:

Elke Woensdag	van 10.00 am - 1.00 pm
Dinsdag (non - DJVV week)	van 11.00 am - noon
Donderdags (DJVV week - see page 2)	van 11.00 am - 2.00 pm
Elke Donderdag avond	van 10.00 pm - 11.00 pm
Iedere Vrijdag	van 10.00 am-1.00 pm, maar bel eerst even. Tel: 9381 3738



**De Neerlandia winkel is bemand door vrijwilligers en daarom moeten de
bovenstaande tijden een beetje ruim genomen worden**

“SANDGROPER CARNAVAL BALL IN NEERLANDIA”

Saturday 6th March 2010



Shooting in Carnaval

It was a magnificent Carnaval Ball for our Prins Bram the 1st. Held at the Neerlandia Clubhouse in Wembley, it was indeed a fun-filled evening. With a beautifully decorated hall, great food from the kitchen and drinks from the bar and the great music provided by Gerry van Sambeeck, the evening was one to remember for his Highness Prins Bram 1st. The Prins was led in by his Raad and accompanied by the Junior Sandgroper Ashleigh and

The dance floor was constantly full of dancers. As usual there was the Polonaise followed by the Hokey Pokey all lead by the Vorst Harry Crijns. I think almost all the guests participated in this. The Sandgropers provided a number of short floorshows that encouraged a few giggles from the guests. A number of the guests came in costume. Prizes were given for



Prins Bram 1st with 2 very beautifully costumed winners.

rocking well and truly with fun and laughter; the Polonaise and a lot of shunkeling. At midnight there were still quite a few of the guests sitting around listening to the music, enjoying a drink and talking with their friends. This was indeed a good sign. The CC The Sandgropers and their Prins Bram hope that the next Carnaval event will be an enjoyable and entertaining one as this last function. We hope to see you all return in November.

Henny Crijns...



Prins Bram 1st dancing with daughter Yvonne.



Here we have 2 very happy Carnaval followers.

the best couple and the 2 runner-ups. Aat & Jenny Kievit of the Dutch Radio won 1st prize in their great African costumes. There was no doubt that the Prins enjoyed himself immensely. The Sandgropers are very fortunate to have such a popular Prins. Subiaco oval may have rocked with the band AC/DC that same evening but our Carnaval Ball had the Dutch Club Neerlandia



Sandgroper Raad Member Karel Nissen having a fun time.

Guard Jurgen. It was all very regal indeed.

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IN HET KIELZOG VAN DARWIN

Vele BVN televisie kijkers volgen ongetwijfeld het VPRO programma "Beagle, in het kielzog van Darwin", de reis van de Nederlandse clipper Stad Amsterdam, die 150 jaar na het publiceren van het boek "On the origin of species" van Charles Darwin en 200 jaar na zijn geboorte, dezelfde reis maakt als Darwin 178 jaar geleden.



reisboekenschrijver Redmond O'Hanlon, een fervent reiziger en lezer. Hij heeft zoveel mogelijk boeken meegenomen aan boord, in de hoop dat hij niet meer aan wal wordt gezet. Hij doet meestal de presentatie en gaat van boord om landopnamen te maken. Wij vertelden hem dat we net de aflevering hadden gezien vanuit Sulawesi (Celebes) in Indonesië, waar hij de vogelvlinder zag, die Darwin had beschreven, maar wij die helaas niet hadden gezien

De clipper Stad Amsterdam, een 10 jaar oude driemaster, is voor deze reis ter beschikking gesteld door de directeur van Randstad en hij is ook één van de belangrijkste sponsors van het programma. Op zondag 14 maart 's avonds om 7 uur meerde de Stad Amsterdam af aan Victoria Quay in Fremantle, nadat het schip 2 dagen voor de kust had liggen wachten in Gage Road, totdat het passagierschip de Queen Mary 2 de haven had verlaten. Geeft je een beetje te denken over de capaciteit van de haven van Fremantle, als een schip van net boven de 1000 ton de haven niet binnen mag varen, terwijl de kade waar het moest afmeren vrij was.

Aan boord hadden we een gesprek met Hans Fels, de geestelijke vader van het project, cameraman en filmmaker, die na ruim 20 jaar zijn droom werkelijkheid zag worden, maar meer daarover kunt u op het internet lezen.

Hans vertelde ons zeer enthousiast over de reis, die begon in Plymouth en via de Kanarische eilanden en Kaapverdië naar Rio de Janeiro (Brazilië), Montevideo (Uruguay), Buenos Aires (Argentinië), Valparaiso (Chili), Callao (Peru), Galápagos (Equator), *Papeete (Tahiti)*, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide in Perth te belanden. Van hieruit vertrekt het schip naar Mauritius en Kaapstad om via



Hans Fels

Valencia naar Plymouth terug te keren.

Op onze vraag hoe het weer tot nu toe was geweest, antwoordde Hans dat zij zo af en toe wat wind hadden gehad, maar echte stormen of orkanen en reuze golfslag hebben zij niet gehad.

Aan boord zijn zo'n 20 bemanningleden, ongeveer 10 mensen die direct met het project te maken hebben en daarna nog een aantal gasten met interesse in het project. Een aantal gasten zijn gedurende het gehele project aan boord, zoals de Britse biologe Sarah Darwin, achterachterkleindochter van Charles Darwin, Dirk Draulans, Vlaams bioloog, TV- presentator en schrijver, en niet te vergeten de Britse

omdat de cameraman niet zo snel kon volgen. Hij zelf had de aflevering nog niet gezien. We vroegen Hans of het niet zwaar is om sommige landopnamen te maken, b.v. in die krater op Sulawesi, waar je uit moest kijken waar je je voeten neer zet en daarnaast nog met een grote camera opnamen te maken en niet op je achterste terecht te komen of omlaag te vallen om nog maar niet te praten over temperatuur en vochtigheid ter plaatse. Ondanks zijn ruim 60 jaar daagt hij iedereen uit hem na te doen, want niet alleen is hij fit, maar bezeten van zijn werk als filmer. Alle materiaal dat wordt gefilmd, wordt aan boord klaargemaakt en via satelliet doorgestuurd naar Hilversum.

Er is een complete montage studio op het schip aanwezig, waar dagelijks opnamen worden bewerkt.

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uitzenden naar het internet en de gehele wereld kan volgen wat er op dat moment gebeurt. Hans vertelde dat er ook 4 monitoren zijn, waarop iedereen aan boord kan zien wat er wordt uitgezonden. Hij vertelde dat in het begin hij berichtjes kreeg met opmerkingen als: "Sta je nu al weer te roken!!", dus nu roken we uit het bereik van de camera's. Als we een feestje hebben zorgen we dat ook dat niet kan worden uitgezonden, een beetje privacy moet er toch zijn. Hans gaf ons een toer over het prachtige schip, van stuurhut, met de meest moderne apparatuur tot aan de hutten en het dagverblijf, waar normaal de gasten zich bevinden, maar nu delen in gebruik waren voor presentatie en montage van het programma.

Normaal gesproken is toegang aan boord, vanwege de veiligheid, niet mogelijk, behalve voor mensen van de media. Gelukkig kregen wij van de producer, Ruurd van der Berg, toestemming om aan boord te komen vanwege onze bezigheden met Dutch Community Radio in Perth. Ruurd bracht ons aan boord direct in contact met Hans Fels en beiden danken wij voor de mogelijkheid om onze luisteraars en lezers van de Neerlandia Magazine iets over het project "In het kielzog van Darwin" te vertellen. Wij wensen alle opvarenden, namens onze luisteraars en lezers een behouden vaart.

Jenny en Aat Kievit

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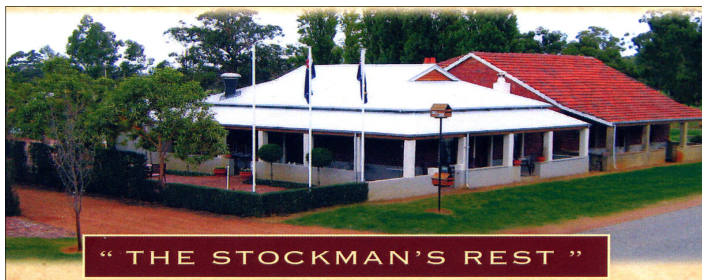
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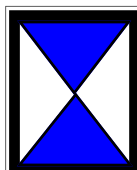
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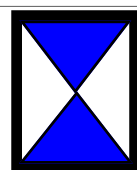
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TILBURG:

Tilburg is a landlocked municipality and a city in the Netherlands, located in the southern province of Noord-Brabant. Population around 203 000. Tilburg municipality also includes the villages of Berkel-Enschot and Udenhout.



Flag & Coat of Arms

HISTORY:

Compared to many of the other large cities in the Netherlands, Tilburg cannot claim a particularly long history.

Little is known about the earliest history. Documents from the year 709 show the name Tilburg for the first time. After that, all sources remain silent for some centuries. In the later Middle Ages, Tilburg was more of a local 'region' than a village or city, although a couple of small hamlets provided its population centres, one of which was known as Oost-Tilburg ('Eastern Tilburg'), which was later reflected in the name of Oisterwijk ('Eastern Quarter'). This village centred around a small (probably wooden) castle or 'Motteburcht' on an equally small hill, which became derelict and was torn down after a few centuries at most. Of this first 'Tilburg Castle', nothing remained, apart from a few remnants of its moat in the suburbs of Oisterwijk. In the 14th century, Tilburg was proclaimed a manor. Together with Goirle, it acquired the title of "The Manor of Tilburg and Goirle".

Successively, the manorial rights fell into the hands of several lords of noble lineage. They derived their income from taxes, fines and interest paid by the villagers.

THE 15th CENTURY ONWARDS:

In the 15th century, one of the lords of Tilburg, Jan van Haestrecht, built Tilburg Castle. "That stone chamber at Hasselt" is mentioned in several historical documents. In 1858, however, the castle had to make way for a factory. It lives on, however, in the city arms and logo. A replica of the fundamentals of the castle was restored in ca. 1995 on its original location, after the factory was demolished. In 1803, Goirle was separated from Tilburg. In that year, it had about 9,000 inhabitants. Tilburg was granted city status in 1809, so the city celebrated its 200th anniversary in 2009. Tilburg grew up out of a number of small villages and hamlets, largely populated by sheep farmers.



Tilburg Castle

KING WILLIAM II:



Statue King Willem II

King William II (1792–1849) always bore a warm heart towards Tilburg. "Here I can breathe freely and I feel happy", he once said about the town. And he acted accordingly. King William II always supported Tilburg, also in a financial way. He improved the sheep breeding, built new farms and founded a cavalry barracks on the St. Joseph Street, now the imposing building of the City Archives. Although the King was always received with open arms by several befriended manufacturers, he needed his own residence in Tilburg. The palace was built in the middle of the 19th century. William II died a few months before the completion. It is now part of City Hall.

In 1987, close to the palace, an obelisk was erected, in remembrance of King William II. It replaced the old needle built in 1874, which disappeared from the street scene in 1968.

After being restored, William II's statue has got a place again in the heart of the city, where he felt happy among its inhabitants. The local football club Willem II Tilburg was named after him.

THE HERD PLACES:

Tilburg grew around one of the so-called "herd places", three-cornered plots where a number of roads (usually sandy roads) met. These herd places were collective pasturelands for flocks of sheep. Their triangular shape is still reflected in the layout of many places in Tilburg. Many districts - such as Korvel, Oerle, Broekhoven, Hasselt, Heikant, De Schans and Heuvel - bear the names of these old hamlets.



Textile Museum

TILBURG AS WOOL CAPITAL OF THE NETHERLANDS:

The poor farmers living in these hamlets soon decided to stop selling the wool of the sheep and to weave it themselves. For a long time a greater part of the space in their houses, which used to be very small, was occupied by a loom. In the 17th century the number of looms in Tilburg was about 300. Enterprising people saw their chance. As so-called drapers they supplied the weavers with the raw materials for their "home working". The first Tilburg "mill houses" had come into existence. From that point on, the wool- industry underwent rapid growth and in 1881 Tilburg had as many as 145 wool mills. Home weaving continued,

however, until the early years of the 20th century. Woollen textiles from Tilburg were known far and wide. After the Second World War, Tilburg retained its place as wool capital of the Netherlands, but during the 1960s, production shifted to the low-wage countries, whereupon Tilburg had to seek ways in which to diversify its economy. It has done so with great success, largely due to the perseverance and determination of its people. Present-day Tilburg industry is characterized by a large variety of enterprises. The main economic sector has become transport & logistics, with a variety of industry as a good second. Today, the industrial past lives on in the Audax Textiles Museum, which is housed in a former mill. The machines here have not yet been silenced.

PRESENT DAYS:

Tilburg is an interesting, vivid and warm city, surrounded by beautiful nature areas like Moerenburg, De Loonse and Drunense Duinen, Campina and De Utrecht. There's a lively city centre, offering well known brands but small, specialised shops as well. And of course there are large companies like Fuji, Bosch, Bjorn Borg, Interpolis. More on present-day Tilburg and the corporate line followed by the Tilburg city council is to be found in the article on Tilburg, on the Tilburg City site. Higher Education is of significant importance, with Tilburg University attracting scholars from all over the world. Tilburg University was founded in 1927 and Tilburg is a fully accredited government financed university with almost 12,000 students. Tilburg university (motto: "Understanding Society") specialises in the social sciences and humanities and has five faculties. De Koningshoeven Brewery is in Berkel-Enshot, which is part of Tilburg.



Tilburg University

DE EFTELING:

A fun park, the Efteling, located in Kaatsheuvel, approximately 7.5 km north of Tilburg has a great deal to offer besides the attractions in the park. Every day of the week, visitors can watch a variety of exciting acts, enchanting shows and artists, live in the park. You are bound to bump into them wherever you go... inhabitants of the Fairytale Forest, amazing acrobats and merry musicians. Meet and greet, look and listen... or join them for a song and dance! For further thrilling entertainment there are ample opportunities to enjoy the rides, such as: "The Python", a steel roller-coaster with two loop-the-loops and two cork screws.



A further selection of various photos from the city of Tilburg:



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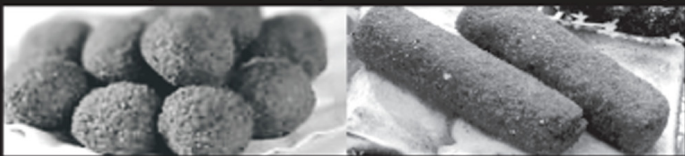
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NEWS FROM THE MORLEY-WINDMILLS SPORTS CLUB INC. AS WELL AS THE SOCCER CLUB INC.

Hi all.

Welcome to the Morley-Windmills page.

Things are very hectic at the club with a lot of functions being planned as well as the soccer season being here.

The cool room finally seems to have been fixed as it has not broken down for the last 4 weeks. Lets hope it will last.

Things are going well with the Ladies Darts Club that meet every Monday. We also have two monthly dances booked, one on a Friday night and the other on Saturday night as well as some private functions. So it is full on. In the football West Night Series we did not do very well.

Our first game against Bayswater City was a good, even game where we started off slowly and were two goals down at half time, but came back well in the second half to draw level and then to loose in the last minute of the game 3-2.

The game against Ashfield was also an even game although the score did not indicate this, we lost 3-0.

This game against Ashfield was old Windmills players against the new Windmill players.

The majority of Ashfield players played for Morley-Windmills last season. This did not make it any easier for us, but it was a good game nevertheless.

The following game was against Bunbury and we should have stayed home. A few of our players could not make it as they had commitments for Valentine Day. So once again we had to field a very weak team and to make things worse we lost a player early in the game because he could not keep his mouth shut and was red-carded 3 times in a space of 1 minute for misconduct. We did well to keep the score down to 2-0 at half time, but we could not contain Bunbury in the second half and lost 7-0.

We should have scored on a few occasions ourselves, but we could not do it.

The next game was against Gosnells and by this time some of our better players were approached by other clubs and left so again we had to field a weak team and again we held our own until half time, but could not contain Gosnells in the second half. We lost 6-2.

We had to forfeit the game against Dianella as we did not have enough players to field a competitive team. Since then we have done a lot of work and attracted

some good players and with a few more players that have indicated that they would like to come to the club, we should have a very good and competitive team to start the season off on the 3th of April. Our first game will be an away game to Gosnells. See you there.

Karl Hofstee.

The Old Dog:

An older, tired-looking dog wandered into my yard. I could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home and was well taken care of.

He calmly came over to me, I gave him a few pats on his head; he then followed me into my house, slowly walked down the hall, curled up in the corner and fell



asleep.

An hour later, he went to the door, and I let him out.

The next day he was back, greeted me in my yard, walked inside and resumed his spot in the hall and again slept for about an hour.

This continued off and on for several weeks.

Curious I pinned a note to his collar: 'I would like to find out who the owner of this wonderful sweet dog is and ask if you are aware that almost every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap.'

The next day he arrived for his nap, with a different note pinned to his collar:

'He lives in a home with 6 children, 2 under the age of 3 - he's trying to catch up on his sleep.

Can I come with him tomorrow?

The Netherlands at risk:



Ice melting everywhere, The South Pole, The North Pole and Greenland, glaciers are shrinking in Switzerland, glaciers melting in New Zealand, sea levels rising as a result. Scientists are predicting a frightening future for an ever increasing population having to survive on a planet with a shrinking landmass.

How will this horrific scenario affect us? Well, it will happen during the next one thousand years.

Not even your grandchildren will have to worry too much or would they?

What we do know for sure is that at present the earth temperature and the seasons are changing and sea levels are rising slowly.

That brings back memories of our travels in bygone years when in Greece we were shown underwater parts of erstwhile buildings and harbour installations. Those sightings were like the story of the once prosperous township of Reimerswaal along the river Schelde in the province of Zeeland. Salt was an essential part for processing of the fish, brought ashore by its busy fishing fleet. In order to get hold of the quantities of salt required, the locals went to the lower grounds outside the protecting dikes and dug up salt saturated peat which they first dried and thereafter burnt. This process called 'salt burning' was the reason why after many years the low laying areas gradually were succumbing to the ever encroaching sea.

The story goes that during the St Felix flood on Saturday 5 November 1530 a dangerous hole in the dikes of a polder nearby Reimerswaal had appeared. The owner



Painting depicting the St. Elizabeth Flood

Adriaan Lodijcke, refused to have the breach repaired as he wanted to promote his property as a fishing fleet harbour in competition with Reimerswaal. Over the years Mr Lodijcke saw his extensive property being swallowed up by the sea before the same fate finally struck the on higher ground situated town of Reimerswaal. King Charles V of Spain as

supreme ruler over the Netherlands issued an ordinance in 1551 expressly forbidding further salt burning of peat in order to prevent further loss of arable land.

While writing this another legend comes to mind, a story that emerged from that terrible St Elisabeth flood on the 19th of November 1421. A heavy north western storm whipped up the waves against a weakened dike system of the western provinces. About two thousand people died. One little child during that storm who had come adrift in a cradle which was kept from capsizing by a cat clinging to it and so keeping it in balance. It was found stranded against a dike on a spot which is still known as 'Kinderdijk' near Alblasserdam.

An emotional poem describes vividly the trauma of those affected in those early days:

Hoe vreeslyk de water magten
De Dyck vol gaaten bragten:
Hoe d' onbedwongen Zee-vloed suusde,
En door de Kolken heenen bruusde
Hoe onbeschrijfelijk de Golven
Gehiel verwoed het Land bedolven.

How terrible is the power of water
That breached the dikes
How the unbridled sea-flood
Swirled through the breaches
How those terrible waves
Wildly covered the countryside.

Hoe grauwsaam 't Baargebons de huusen
Verbrak en dese meest vergruusen;
Hoe seer benaut selvs veele Lieden
Ook sogten 't Doodsgevaer t' ontvlieden
Op Huusen, Daaken, Balken, Boomen
Allom beknelte, met soute stroomen
Soo kindren, Knegten, Mannen, Vrouwen
't Was deerelyk om aan to schouwen.

How those thundering waves are
Demolishing the houses
How many frightened people
Tried to escape death
On houses, roofs, beams, trees
Surrounded by salt water
Children, Servants, Men, Women
It was terrible to behold.

As usual, in times of great disasters, a person will emerge who will come up with the reasons why it all happened and the solution for the recurring problem of flooding. This person was Andries Vierlingh (1507-1579) who was employed by the city of Steenberg in the province of Drenthe. One of his jobs was to maintain the dikes in the area. During that time he made a study of floods, the possible reasons and the solutions. At the time his outstanding knowledge was acknowledged by engaging him to drain various swamps and turn them into arable polders. He also became involved with the building of well engineered dikes. Towards the end of his life he published his observations and experiences in

The Netherlands at risk

a book called 'Tractaet van Dyckagie'. In this book he also mentioned and criticized the debacle of Reimerswaal.

Andries Vierlingh was the first person to emphasize that the building of strong and suitable dikes was essential. He also advocated not only an aggressive land preservation policy but also the reclamation of land lost to the sea during previous flood disasters. He was way ahead of his time.

Gradually the land reclamation and the drainage of swamps and lakes was gaining momentum, so necessary to accommodate and feed a growing population. Big challenges in this aspect were still there like creating a new polder out of the inland sea 'The Haarlemmer meer' as well as reclaiming part of the shallow 'Zuiderzee'. It was Jan Adriaanszoon who became prominent in draining a host of smaller lakes, the first being 'The Beemster'. Between 1608 and 1610 he had the lake surrounded with dikes and forty large water pumping



windmills. The Beemster was completely drained by the year 1612 and during this four year period, this enterprise attracted international attention This

success was followed in 1625 by draining the 'Hugowaard', in 1626 the 'Wijde Wormer' became a polder and the 'Schermer' in 1636. Jan Adriaanszoon became known as the Poldermaker, with the nickname "Leeghwater" (drainer) which he adopted as his surname. However the greatest challenge of the day, draining of the 'Haarlemmer Meer' was not feasible, as windmills did not have the capacity to pump this enormous volume of water. That happened in the years 1840-1852 after steam power had been invented and implemented.

After all these successes which had drawn worldwide attention, the Dutch made plans to start reclaiming part of the Zuiderzee. A start was made by creating the 'Wieringermeer' polder in 1930, followed by the



'Afsluitdijk' in 1932. This courageous undertaking made an end to the Zuiderzee, which from that time was to be called 'IJsselmeer'.

The most ambitious plan was now to be executed, the reclamation of the so called 'Oostpolder', now called Flevoland.

It started in 1940 and was completed in 1968 thereby adding a new province to the nation. The total land area gained was 1450 square kilometers. A local anthem came into being called: 'Waar wij steden doen verrijzen' (where we create cities), like Lelystad, Almere, Emmeloord, Dronten and Zeewolde.

The next item on the list was the safeguarding of the vulnerable province of Zeeland. This started in 1950 with a dam in the 'Brielse Gat'. The havoc causing floods in February 1953 made the building of complete safeguards for Zeeland an urgent necessity. The total ingenious plan was completed on the 4th of October 1986 and officially opened by a proud Queen Beatrix.

These gigantic works have drawn worldwide attention, creating a well earned acclaim: "God created the world and the Dutch created the Netherlands".

Time as we all know does not stand still. Our planet, the only spec in the universe which we can call home and where it is possible for us to live, is under great stress. Our world is warming up. We feel it ourselves in our daily life. The seasons have changed. Some areas on our planet are getting more rain than they can handle, other areas are facing deadly droughts. The winters in Holland are not as they used to be when I was at school, long ice skating trips on the 'Elfsteden tocht' are now an exception. The same here in West Australia, since when have we seen the Canning Dam overflowing? An article in the West Australian on the 26th of May 2006 tells us quote: that homes are at risk from rising sea. Parts of the Perth foreshore, Mandurah, Australind, Dunsborough and Busselton would be the first areas to be inundated as water levels rose, unquote.

The impact of rising sea levels is certainly affecting the Netherlands as we know it. Near the city of Nieuwerkerk the slowly sinking ground level is now 6.76 metres below sea level (AP or Amsterdam's Peil). The airport of Schiphol is about five meters below sea level. About half of the Netherlands as we know it is under sea level. Since the year 1000 AD there have been 113 major floods in the lower countries we call Netherlands. The country is gradually sinking on the western part and slightly rising on the eastern borders.

Sea levels are expected to rise about 70 mm per year over the next one hundred years, coming to a total rise of nearly three quarters of a meter in that period.

Further, even with the completion of the mighty Delta works in Zeeland, the country was not completely safe as 250.000 evacuees found out in early February of 1995 after the big rivers Rhine, Waal and Maas were overflowing through the unseasonable rapid melting of ice and snow in Switzerland, France and Germany.

A foreign newspaper noted that "The Dutch sealed off the front door only to find that they were threatened from the back".

For how long can the inventive and hardy Dutch keep the ever threatening sea at bay? We the present generation will never know.

Gerard Woerlee.

Challenging puzzles by the Puzzle Wizard

	26		3		1		24		12		20		1	
26	7	4	17	17	2	3	23		4	15	11	18	17	14
	3		17		1		14		1		24		17	
14	3	15	26	25	14	4	16	5	25		5	18	24	6
	21		22		24		24				24		20	
5	24	7	3	10			10	1	13	3	16	18	14	25
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18	26	3	14	3	15	24		1	7	25	2	3	19	25
	20				1		15		23		1			
15	1	16	1	11	11	24	11			26	20	1	10	15
	17		10				1		21		9		1	
1	17	16	3		6	18	20	9	24	16	6	3	16	9
	3		16		1		24		2		1		18	
1	11	9	1	11	18		2	18	16	19	26	3	7	8
	19		11		17		3		1		22		1	

~~A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z~~

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A												
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
P	R											

CODEBREAKER PUZZLE



How to play the Game:

A Codebreaker is a crossword puzzle with no clues! Every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number represents the same letter all the time in this puzzle.

All you have to do is find out which letter is represented by which number!

The codes for 3 letters are given. When you have entered these letters throughout the puzzle, you should have enough information to start guessing your first word and also discover other letters. If you are unsure, use a pencil, then you can always erase.

The March Codebreaker was not too bad once you found the words : Frailty or Initiative.

Following is the entire solution:

A=25; B=12; C=15; D=13;
E=21; F=18; G=4; H=10; I=26;
J=14; K=1; L=6; M=7; N=9;
O=11; P=23; Q=8; R=17; S=24;
T=5; U=19; V=2; W=20; X=3;
Y=22; Z=16.

Sudoku

The aim of the Sudoku Puzzle is to insert numbers in the boxes to satisfy only one condition: each row, each column and each 3x3 box must contain one each of the digits 1 through 9.

Sudoku - Easy

4	3		6	9				
9	1			4		3	5	
		6			1		4	
3		4		6		5	2	
2			5		7			9
	6	9		8		7		3
	4		9			6		
	2	3		5			9	4
				1	4		3	5



Sudoku - Moderate

	5		4			7	2	
3		7		1		5		
		2				8		
5	7				9			
	3			6			8	
			8				4	7
		3				2		
		1		8		4		9
	9	5			1		6	

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